



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MINUTES

**SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH THE CITY OF SAN JOSE
TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025
3:00 PM**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

A Special Joint Meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Board of Directors with the City of San Jose was called to order at 3:00 p.m. in the City of San Jose, City Hall, Council Chambers, and streamed live via YouTube.

1.1. Roll Call.

Board members in attendance representing the Santa Clara Valley Water District were Shiloh Ballard, Jim Beall, Rebecca Eisenberg, Nai Hsueh, Richard P. Santos, and Chairperson Tony Estremera, constituting a quorum of the Board. Director John L. Varela was absent.

Director Eisenberg arrived as noted below.

Councilmembers in attendance representing the City of San Jose were Pamela Campos, George Casey, Peter Ortiz, Bien Doan, David Cohen, Pam Foley, Rosemary Kamei, Domingo Candelas, Michael Mulcahy, and City of San Jose Mayor Matt Mahan, presiding, constituting a quorum of the Council.

Staff members in attendance were Melanie Richardson, Interim Chief Executive Officer; Carlos Orellana, District Counsel; Candice Kwok-Smith, Clerk, Board of Directors: A. Baker, M. Bilski, R. Chan, R. Gibson, A. Gordon, C. Hakes, M. Lugo, R. McCarter, P. McElroy, L. Penilla, K. Struve, D. Taylor, B. Yerrapotu, and T. Yoke.

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance/National Anthem.

City of San Jose Mayor Matt Mahan led all present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3. Orders of the Day.

Mayor Mahan confirmed that Item 1.4 would be considered at the end of the agenda and would be limited to items within the jurisdiction of the Santa Clara Valley Water District only.

1.5. Introductions/Opening Comments.

Mayor Mahan introduced and welcomed the Santa Clara Valley Water Board of Directors to the Special Joint meeting.

Director Eisenberg arrived.

2. 3:00 PM - TIME CERTAIN:

2.1. Receive an Update on the Purified Water Project.

Recommendation: Receive an update and provide feedback on the development of a potable reuse project.

Kirsten Struve, Assistant Officer, Valley Water, reviewed the information on this Item, per the attached Board Agenda Memo and per the information contained in Attachment 1.

Move to Accept: Richard Santos
Second: Nai Hsueh
Yeas: Shiloh Ballard, Jim Beall, Rebecca Eisenberg, Tony Estremera, Richard Santos, Nai Hsueh
Nays: None
Abstains: None
Recuses: None
Absent: John L. Varela
Summary: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 1 Absent.

The Yeas have it and the motion passed.

2.2. Receive an Update on the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project and Coyote Creek Flood Protection Project.

Recommendation: Receive an update on the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project and Coyote Creek Flood Protection Project.

Ryan McCarter, Deputy Operating Officer, Valley Water, reviewed the information on this Item, per the attached Board Agenda Memo and per the information contained in Attachment 1.

Move to Accept: Richard Santos
Second: Nai Hsueh
Yeas: Shiloh Ballard, Jim Beall, Rebecca Eisenberg, Tony Estremera, Richard Santos, Nai Hsueh
Nays: None
Abstains: None
Recuses: None
Absent: John L. Varela
Summary: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 1 Absent.

The Yeas have it and the motion passed.

2.3. Receive an Update on the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program.

Recommendation: Receive an update on the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program.

Luz Penilla, Assistant Officer, Valley Water, reviewed the information on this Item, per the attached Board Agenda Memo and per the information contained in Attachment 1.

Move to Accept: Richard Santos
Second: Nai Hsueh
Yeas: Shiloh Ballard, Jim Beall, Rebecca Eisenberg, Tony Estremera, Richard Santos, Nai Hsueh
Nays: None
Abstains: None
Recuses: None
Absent: John L. Varela
Summary: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 1 Absent.

The Yeas have it and the motion passed.

1.4. Time Open for Public Comment on any Item not on the Agenda.

Mayor Mahan declared time open for public comment on any Item not on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of the Santa Clara Valley Water District only. No one was present who wished to speak.

3. ADJOURN:

3.1. Closing Remarks.

Mayor Mahan and Chairperson Tony Estremera expressed their gratitude for the collaboration between both agencies.

3.2. Mayor Mahan adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m. The Board will convene for the next Regular meeting at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California, and via Zoom teleconference.

Candice Kwok-Smith
Clerk, Board of Directors

Approved:

Date: September 9, 2025